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ELMER LOUIS KAYSER
Secretary of the George Washington University
From a recent oil portrait by Eugen Weiss

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Kayser Manages Coolidge Ceremonies

SHERMAN E. JOHNSON, H A '29

To Professor Elmer Louis Kayser, member of Eta Alpha chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega, came the unusual distinction this winter of arranging a commencement at which Calvin Coolidge, then President of the United States, delivered the address and at which he and Mrs. Coolidge received honorary degrees.

This was the midwinter convocation of the George Washington University, held on February 22, in the Washington Auditorium. The entire program was broadcast over the "Red" and "Blue" network of the National Broadcasting Company, embracing more than thirty key stations, and covering the entire United States. Movietone pictures were also taken, which appeared in theatres throughout the country.

Professor Kayser, who as Secretary of the University is in charge of convocations, found that an unusual amount of labor was necessary this year. Frequent trips to the White House were necessary, and a myriad of details had to be arranged, because of the distinguished guest who was to make the oration. When news went out that the President would attend the Convocation and make his last public address as chief magistrate, the demand for tickets was enormous. But the event went off smoothly and was a distinct credit to the administrative ability of Brother Kayser.

This was the first time that a president of the United States had attended a convocation of the University since the memorable time when John Quincy Adams, also a New Englander, was present, together with Henry Clay, John C. Calhoun and the Marquis de la Fayette. The school was then known as Columbian College, which is now the designation for the college of arts and sciences. To be sure, Herbert Hoover received an honorary degree from the institution in 1921, but he was then Secretary of Commerce and was

even overshadowed a bit by Vicente Blasco Ibanez, the Spanish novelist, who received an LL. D. at the time.

Dr. Cloyd Heck Marvin, President of the University, resplendent in the crimson hood of a Doctor of Philosophy of Harvard University, introduced Mr. Coolidge. The President, in a masterly address, defended the foreign policy of the United States, explaining the isolation policy and the Monroe Doctrine. In some respects the speech was a valedictory, summing up his administration and the record of the Republican party. It was most fitting that in speaking before a University named after George Washington on the anniversary of his birth, he should begin his address with a reference to the first president. He referred particularly to Washington's Farewell Address, the "entangling alliance" phase of which he discussed.

Of the George Washington University, he said: ". . . In his will, he (Washington) was careful to disclose his views on the importance of republican institutions, of Government-supported free schools and opportunities for higher education.

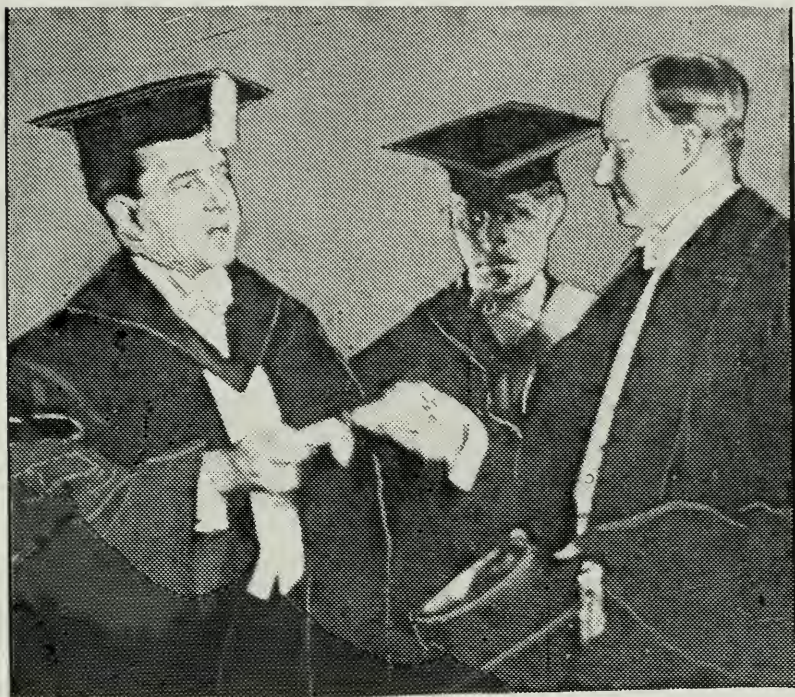
"Here again he showed distinctly that he was nationally-minded, because he coupled the personal benefits of a centralized university training with the cultivation of a national spirit in the students. Since his day so many local colleges and State universities have been established that the provisions of his will have never been put into execution. Yet it is a satisfaction to have this institution at least bearing his name in the National Capital."

The provision in the will, to which Mr. Coolidge referred, was one leaving a number of shares in the Patowmack Canal Company to found a national university in the District of Columbia, when it should be chartered by Congress. When the act chartering Columbian College was passed in 1821, the company had failed and the shares were worthless. The Masons, by giving a million dollars to the University at the close of 1927 to found a School of Government, have felt that they thus satisfied the provision of the will.

Following the address, Dr. Marvin conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws upon the President. As he read the citation, Elmer Louis Kayser held the blue and buff hood which Mr. Coolidge was to wear. The citation was as follows: "Lawyer. Servant of the state. Conservative leader during a period when thoughtful, firm action alone could hold the confidence of the people. Proponent at the same time of a forward looking social procedure, sponsoring scientific endeavors, espousing a program of economic responsibility, arousing in the Nation a self-imposed feeling for cooperation

and good will. Patron of education and of culture, respected leader of our people—the President of the United States of America.”

This was one of the very few occasions upon which the wife of a President has been so honored along with her husband. Grace Goodhue Coolidge, one of the most popular and gracious hostesses



Courtesy of the Washington Evening Star

DR. C. H. MARVIN, PROF. E. L. KAYSER, AND PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

which Washington has known, and who will probably rank with Dolly Madison and Mrs. Grover Cleveland, looked charming that evening in her silken academic gown, and it was with a good deal of sincerity that Dr. Marvin was able to read the following citation: "Combining gifts in exquisite taste and gracious kindness with an uncommonly clear and understanding mind, you have touched life and it has reacted warm and true. You have unconsciously caused to be builded for yourself in the hearts of the people, a temple of genuine friendship, loyal appreciation, and true affection."

The academic procession was colorful and brilliant, and a large representation from Congress and the Diplomatic Corps was present.

The day was a very fortunate one for the University in more ways than one. About a week previously, a gift of \$125,000 from Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew, in honor of her late husband, the Senator and railroad executive, to establish a department of public speaking, had been announced. In addition to this, the following gifts were announced: the endowment of a division of international affairs; anonymous pledges for scholarship funds and loan funds, \$270,000; King bequest, \$40,233.77; National League Masonic fund (professorship), \$7,000; and many others, which with the ones noted before, total more than two million dollars. With reference to the endowment of the division of international affairs, Dr. Marvin said: "At no place in the United States, and perhaps in the world, is there such a laboratory in which men can train themselves in international affairs. Recognizing this, a man with wide, international experience, whom you all know and respect, but whose name I am not at the moment at liberty to disclose, proposes to utilize this laboratory through creating and endowing in this university a division of international affairs, and to assist in organizing it to occupy a broader field and to render a greater service than that rendered by any similar university undertaking.

"I can only say at this time that the project as outlined is a greater undertaking in certain ways than the development of the work in Government announced at our last convocation. The plan will be perfected and launched within the next few months."

The day was a most creditable one for Brother Kayser, who has received many compliments on the way the convocation was conducted. Very recently an oil portrait of him, which is reproduced in this issue, has been painted by Eugen Weisz.

A member of Eta Alpha chapter, Carlton Thomas of Wyoming, was one of those who had the distinction of "graduating with President Coolidge." He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Radio on the Deep

CLYDE T. SMITH, B A '30

Since deep sea stores have become best sellers we take pleasure in presenting to OMEGAN readers our own briny tale by "Sparks" Smith. There is no reefing of gaff tops'ls to cause critics alarm, and being written by a gentleman the narrative is devoid of cusswords.—EDITOR.

My interest in radio developed until I obtained a commercial operator's license during my last year at high school. Every summer vacation since then, and a whole year before entering college, this "ticket" has given me a chance to take sea trips as a ship's operator, and incidentally to pile up cash to meet school expenses. In the course of my travels, I have had some unusual experiences which may interest landlubbers. The average ship day sees more of excitement or interest than a month of shore days. All sorts of things may happen, from running out of grub to running into a tropical hurricane.

Most of my ships have sailed south into the blue Caribbean where static and hurricanes are born. I have been to Havana on each of five different ships, and a total of fifteen times. On the dirtiest hayburner in the world I've visited practically all of the sugar ports of Cuba; with the United Fruit Company on their freighters and banana barges I've been to Santiago, Jamaica, Columbia, Panama, Costa Rica, Honduras, and Havana; with the Clyde Lines I've been to Key West and Galveston; but I would gladly trade all of these trips for a single one such as I made to Hamburg in midwinter of 1925-26.

The *Resolute*, of the United American Lines, takes an annual cruise around the world, carrying three operators, so I went uptown to convince the boss of their radio department that he needed me as one of them. He explained that berths for this trip were only given as a reward for years of faithful service in the company, so he couldn't even consider me. He offered me the trip to Hamburg on the *Montpelier* just to get rid of me.

The *Montpelier* was a big ten thousand ton hulk of a freighter with a fifty-foot beam and 350 feet long. She was a German ship that had been seized in an American port when we declared war. The Germans had used her in the Australian trade, but now her regular run was between the west coast ports and Southampton and Hamburg. Her skipper was a Greek known on the west coast as "Black Jack" Bullany, who called himself "Caucasian" and had a bay window that

would hide an elephant. No, his name isn't spelled right, but it's close enough for the purpose. He won't care to have it published when I finish with him. I hadn't been aboard for fifteen minutes before the red-headed third mate had put me wise to all of his faults. He told me how little "B J" knew about navigation, how he only held his job through a drag with some official of the company, and how he had tried unsuccessfully to gyp five different operators in five trips out of their extra pay for making up the ship's abstracts. I signed on the articles to do radio work for \$90 a month and the old man's office work for \$15 a month, but it didn't take me long to find out that the wages should have been reversed.

The third mate had told me that the ship rolled like a washtub, and she proceeded to give an excellent demonstration immediately. On very calm days she would roll 15 and 20 degrees from the vertical at times, and when the weather got a little rough, she would roll 20 to 30 degrees continuously, going over to 40 or 45 degrees once in a while for diversion. When this happened just before mealtimes we could hear some crashes and a chorus of German cuss-words float up to the bridge from the direction of the galley. We surely had to hand it to the steward's department for the excellent meals it served us under most trying circumstances. All of the china had to be stowed in cells that had developed from shelves, except the cups, and they were hung by the handles from hooks to swing at will. Our saloon mess was fitted out in fine style to satisfy the demands of German officers. Since the ship had been taken over, the separate tables for the skipper and Chief Engineer had been removed, and now the skipper and Chief glared at each other from opposite ends of a long table that was placed thwartship. On the very calm days previously alluded to, dishes could be kept from slipping the length of this table too quickly by spilling generous amounts of water on the tablecloth. The rest of the time we had to eat out of little square stalls formed on the table by two inch pieces of wood that were placed both lengthwise and crosswise of the table in notches provided for the purpose. It was necessary to balance your soup with one hand to keep it from running over the edge, and to brace your feet wide apart to keep the swivel chairs from turning. A judicious placing of the sugar bowls, salt, pepper, etc., in the central squares so that they braced each other, kept them from wandering about much, but we never did find any way to leave the tall ketchup and pickle bottles except on their sides. They just naturally weren't seaworthy.

The second morning out I awoke to see row after row of what seemed to me to be huge waves, but which the third mate said were only ordinary-sized ones. I didn't believe him until several weeks later, when we had to meet those waves from the other side and in much greater quantity and size. The ship would just about fit in a trough between waves, with her bow on one crest and her stern on the next. We almost kept pace with them.

The Old Man's apartment was just below me on the first level of the bridge. My level of the bridge included a glassed-in pilot house, a long chart room just aft of that, and my quarters and radio shack placed end for end just aft of that and overlooking number three hatch. The upper level was the weather bridge, with little on it aside from a wheel, binnacle, two telegraphs, and my emergency

batteries. Those batteries used to furnish an excuse to go up and chew the fat with the second and third mates while they were on watch. The whole bridge seemed to have very nearly the same period of vibration as the engine, and shook so hard that it was almost impossible to read anything because of the shimmy. About once every two minutes it would quit vibrating for a few seconds as the vibrations opposed and neutralized each other.

The bulk of my radio work was to get up at 2 a. m. when the second mate called me and copy the latest press reports from the "States." The ship's typewriter was bolted to a stand in my shack, and was mounted



"SPARKS" SMITH

fore and aft, so that the carriage slid thwartship. The tension in the spring which pulls the carriage was not great enough to hold it stationary when the ship rolled over about 15 degrees, to say nothing of moving the carriage along, so I could only type as fast as possible when she rolled one way, and hold the carriage in place when she rolled back. Also, I had to wrap myself around a leg of the stand and brace one elbow against the adjoining desk to keep my chair from sliding around on the deck. Just to make some of the items more interesting, the big honeycomb coils in the receiver would rattle loose and quit making contact, or would turn out of position

due to their weight. Any such interruption made it necessary for me to leave some space on the sheet, and fill it in later to make a good news item out of it. As the ship goes east, the time is advanced some twenty or thirty minutes each day, until press time gradually approaches breakfast time, and it is no longer necessary to spoil a good night's sleep to copy it.

One morning the storage batteries under the desk broke loose from their moorings and slid across the deck, carrying my chair and me through the door into my quarters. I concluded the day's press with a notation to that effect, and I suppose the crew is still wondering what happened to a certain buried coal miner.

The Old Man saw his opportunity to keep me from sleeping on the way up the Channel, and blew the whistle on my speaking tube every two or three hours day and night to ask for a bearing from some station that he thought existed, but that usually didn't. If it did, that would mean a struggle of half an hour or more to be heard above the din of interference that exists in the Channel. Just to keep me in good spirits, he'd come around with some letter for me to make five copies of to his exact specifications, full of bum spelling and punctuation. Or he would ask me to go down and help him code a 45-word arrival message over again. He was so ignorant that he wanted me to use the code word for "too" to mean the number "two", and couldn't tell which was which of the letters "d" and "b". Evenings he would want me to give him some rotten jazz from London, or Paris, or Hamburg on a special loud speaker that was rigged on an extension line in his quarters.

Hamburg is located up the Elbe River far enough to put it way inland and a good seven hours of sailing against the current. We started up just before dusk, so we didn't see much of Germany but darkness and street lights. The ship docks are located on an island out in the middle of the harbor, known as "Friedhaven". No duty is charged on goods landing here and transferred to other ships for re-shipment.

We stayed at Hamburg for just a week discharging and reloading cargo. This gave me ample time to roam through the museums, and to see most of the points of interest in the city, such as the Alster pavillion and lake, the immense stone statue of Bismarck leaning on his sword, and in the evenings, the Thrickter, Trocadero, and Alkazar on the Repperbann.

We sailed with a half-load of such light things as feathers and frozen cabbages, so were all set for more and better rolling on the return trip. The skipper instructed the Chief to take on only enough

fuel oil for about three weeks' normal sailing, so as to save the company money. Fuel oil is more expensive there than in the United States. He forgot that the weather is sometimes rougher in winter than in summer, that we had only a light load, and that we might be forced to take the southern route.

We left with all four boilers going full blast, and did not cut to three until we were well out of the Channel into rough weather. And was it rough? The wind blew so hard one day that we were actually further from New York the next noon. The prevailing winds are from the west, sometimes shifting to northwest or southwest, which explains the difficulty aviators have in flying across the Atlantic westward. We had averaged about 250 miles a day going over, and made the trip in 13 days, but on the return trip our day's run grew smaller and smaller as the gales grew bigger and stronger. That winter went down in history as the worst in about fifteen years. Ships went down all around us. Five or six were never even heard from after they left port.

The days soon rolled into weeks of futile battling against the raging storm. The waves we had seen earlier were indeed mere pigmies beside these great mountains of water. Some of them must have been at least forty feet high from crest to hollow, for our weather bridge was forty feet high, and often we could not see over the next wave to see the horizon when the ship settled into a hollow. The Old Man turned pale every time a breaker would come over the side. He should have stayed on the sailing ships where he was trained to cut diagonally across the waves in a heavy sea. Once in a while an extra big roll followed by a big wave would lift her bow clear out of the water, and it would go smashing down on the next wave with a crash that would put the fear of God into any man. The whole ship would act as a gigantic spring, and could be felt to bend up and down distinctly several times after each "pound".

The members of crew had plenty of troubles of their own. No one dared to venture a trip forward to the fo'c'sle, so all the firemen and sailors had to sleep as best they could in the fiddley. A rope was strung along the lee side for the convenience of those who had to go out on deck. A wave came overboard one afternoon and pushed in a two-inch oak door on the second engineer's room, lifting him right out of his bunk. Another pushed in a similar door in the engine room, crossed the ship, and smashed a thinner door on the *inside* of the first assistant's room. When the wind blew a little harder than usual it would push so hard on the small wire used for a whistle cord that it would blow the whistle continuously. The whistle was on the

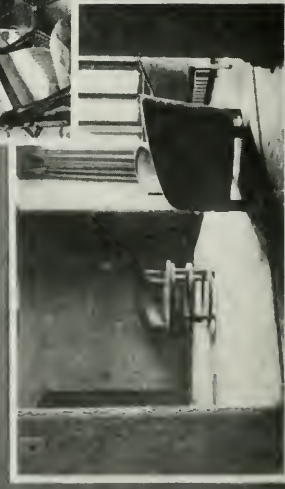
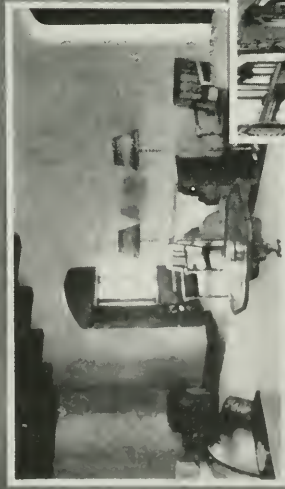
stack about 30 feet horizontally opposite my quarters. When I was trying to sleep, an extra large roll of the ship would stand me alternately on my head and on my feet, and make me aware that various spare parts and books were rolling about on the deck. The alarm clock bought in Hamburg lost all of its glass in no time. It had to be hung up on a hook to stay anywhere, and then banged against it every time the ship rolled. None of the drawers would stay shut. The sliding door between the shack and my quarters rolled fore and aft when the ship pitched much.

We had one particularly ferocious night and day. After copying the press in the morning, I turned down to 600 meters to listen to ships, and heard the Antinoe sending her S O S. She was 250 miles west of us, so we didn't even call the skipper. It was four days before we were within fifty miles of her. The rescue of her crew first brought fame to Captain Fried, then on the *President Roosevelt*. During breakfast that morning the Chief came in and reported that my aerial was down. It was still up, all right, but the broken strands were streaming out over the side almost horizontally in the gale. While we were collecting the forward portion and tying them to a spreader on the bridge outside my window, a large steel guy from foremast to funnel parted and almost hit the third mate. Someone discovered that two plates in our side had been completely cracked through, and the crack opened a quarter of an inch or so every time the ship rolled. By the time my aerial was rigged up temporarily from bridge to foremast, the Antinoe's transmitter had failed, so we had to get the rest of the news from the *Roosevelt*.

At the end of the four days that she stood by the wreck of the Antinoe, we had only about four days' oil supply left, and still about 2000 miles to go, so we turned about and headed for the Azores for more oil. With the wind at our backs, we made it in only about three days. We also ran out of grub and tobacco, and had to stock up in butter and cheese made from goats' milk, and Woodbine cigarettes made from bark of roots. Most of us ate no butter or cheese the rest of the trip. We put in for these supplies at Ponta Delgada, and the green hills and rainbow-colored houses sure looked mighty restful to us. We mailed some letters home to tell the folks what had happened so far in case of any trouble later, and then took them aboard in the mail they gave us that evening. The Old Man had someone cover up the crack with a pile of ropes so the port authorities wouldn't hold us up there until repairs were made.

By this time we had gone far enough south to avoid the worst of the storm, so it only took us 15 days more to reach New York,

or a total of 39 days elapsed time. When we got south into warmer weather the cabbages that were stowed forward thawed out, and the breezes lost some of their salty savor. We ran out of spuds, butter, meat, and almost everything just before we arrived at New York, but the steward's department handled it so that we hardly noticed it. A load of fresh supplies was waiting for us when we dropped the hook for doctor's inspection. We arrived with about one day's supply of oil left in the tanks. The owners were so glad to get us back at all that they hardly mentioned the mere month or so that we were overdue.



INTERIOR VIEWS OF NEW DELTA ALPHA HOUSE

Delta Alpha in New Home

LYLE E. MALLEY, Δ A '31



Delta Alpha's new home, at the corner of Third Street and Armory Avenue in Champaign, is one block west of the campus and in the heart of the new fraternity district. It is three blocks from the Memorial Stadium and two blocks from the new men's gymnasium. Other new houses in the immediate neighborhood belong to Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi Sigma, Psi Upsilon, Delta Upsilon, Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Delta Theta and Phi Kappa Sigma.

The exterior of the new house is of variegated Indiana limestone, cement and roughhewn timbers, with a slate roof. The main entrance is on Third Street and there is an entrance from the terrace facing Armory Avenue.

The Third Street entrance is flanked by small leaded glass windows and amber lanterns. Above the door, the crest of Theta Upsilon Omega, hewn out of limestone, is set into the masonry. The door itself is of heavy oak, hung on massive hammered iron hinges and lightened by a small window of leaded stained glass.

The first floor is finished throughout with rough plaster in soft tones, with woodwork of dark oak. In keeping with the English type of Architecture, the hardware is of massive wrought iron.

The entrance foyer, carpeted in soft green, is furnished with carved chairs and a table of worm-eaten chestnut in the antique Elizabethan style. A pair of lamps on the table shed a diffused glow to welcome late-comers. To the right of the foyer is the drawing-room, and to the left the great hall. Directly back is the library.

The drawing-room is furnished and carpeted in the modern manner, which does not sacrifice comfort to striking lines and original combinations of color. Deep chairs, odd little tables, a black and ivory writing desk, and handsome lamps invite guests to linger.

The center of interest in the great hall is the huge stone fire-place.

Chairs and a davenport upholstered in red leather form a lounging group in front of it, and a console group occupies the wall directly opposite. In a bay window at one end of the room stands a great oaken chest carved in Gothic style. Convenient arrangements of comfortable chairs, beautiful lamps and tables, an Orthophonic Victrola and a baby grand piano, make the room charming and home-like. Rich window drapings arranged on wrought iron fixtures complete the picture.

French doors on either side of the fireplace lead to one of the pleasantest rooms in the house, the solarium. This room extends across the width of the house and has windows on three sides. Walls of light blue and a floor of buff-colored tile form a background for gayly upholstered reed furniture in brown and orange. Drapes of harmonizing shades and table lamps of antiqued parchment soften the light.

The library, which is connected with the great hall and with the foyer by arched doorways, is a truly masculine place, with its sofas and chairs of brown Spanish leather and tables of oak.

The rear of the first floor contains the master's and steward's rooms with connecting bath. The other floors are reached by a rear stairway near the steward's room as well as by the main stairway, which leads both up and down from the foyer.

At the foot of the main stairs from the foyer to the basement a built-in cupboard proves to be a secret door leading to the chapter room. The dignity and beauty of this room will bring out the meaning of the ritual in all its impressiveness and lend to even the most routine meeting a quiet solemnity. Above a raised dais at the head of the room are illuminated reproductions of the pin and crest of Theta Upsilon Omega.

To one who does not know of the secret door, the main room in the basement appears to be the dining room, which might well be called the banquet hall, for it accommodates sixty-five diners comfortably. No longer will all the men at a table find it necessary to rise from their seats when the man in the corner is called to answer a telephone summons from the "one and only" during the course of a meal.

Double doors from the dining room lead to the butler's pantry and kitchen. In the basement also are the cook's room, the trunk room, a bathroom, the porter's room and furnace room.

Eleven study rooms, a large bath and shower room are found on the second floor. Each room accommodates two men, and is furnished in walnut with two dressers, two study tables, mirrors and

bookshelves. Ample closet space is a noteworthy feature of these rooms.

The third floor contains three study rooms for two men each and two which will accommodate three men each. Another bath and the large dormitory occupy this floor.

The advent of a new chapter house is being celebrated by a series of important and festive events at Delta Alpha. The house was occupied about April first. Losing no time, the grand "housewarm-



ARCHITECT'S DRAWING OF DELTA ALPHA'S NEW HOME

ing" was staged on the week-end of April 13-14. An informal dance was held on Friday, April 12, a formal dinner and dance the following evening, and on Saturday another big dinner.

May fourth and fifth was the occasion of a doubly important gathering at Delta Alpha. Then took place the celebration of the fifth anniversary of the founding of T. U. O. and the tenth anniversary of the founding of Zeus Fraternity, the old local. It drew to the house a great number of alumni to visit the chapter in its new quarters and to attend the regular annual meeting of the Delta Alpha Associate Chapter.

The events of the year will reach a climax on December 27-28, when the Champaign chapter will be the host to the Seventh Convocation of the Arch Chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega.

Freshmen Dormitories at Worcester Tech

TRUEMAN L. SANDERSON, B A '30

The effect upon fraternities of a recent edict by the powers that be at Worcester Polytechnic Institute is being watched with interest by the whole fraternity world. Since the class of '31, all freshmen who do not have homes in the city have been required to live and board at the new freshman dormitory, Sanford Riley Hall. Since over 70% of the students are fraternity men and the fraternity consequently plays an important part in the life of the student body, the complications involved in the rule are apparent.

Until 1928, pledged freshmen were being boarded and in some cases lodged at their fraternity houses. Now the houses may not have their presence until the sophomore year. This has to a certain extent worked a hardship on the fraternities. When eight or ten men are taken from the boarding list, the overhead remains practically the same but the revenue decreases. One fraternity was forced to close its dining room during a large part of last year. In the case of Beta Alpha chapter, it has meant an increased burden on the upperclassmen.

Aside from the financial aspect, there is the social question. With the freshmen living in the dormitory, there is not much opportunity for mingling and becoming better acquainted. The pledges do not know the upperclassmen as well as formerly. The fraternity does not know its freshmen as it should. When the time comes for initiation, it seems harder to prove the value of the fraternity to the freshman who does not know from experience the joy of intimate association with the older members of his fraternity.

A remedy for at least the financial side of the problem is to pick and choose carefully the men who should be pledged and initiated. There are only a certain number of men chosen each year by the fraternities, and this invariably includes all desirable fraternity material. Since the expenses of the house must be borne only by the upperclassmen, the fraternity with the largest number of upperclassmen will have the easiest time in making ends meet. Consequently the question resolves itself into the problem of choosing men who will stay in college, and then training them in the art of scholastic endeavor. The upper hand will inevitably be held by the fraternity most successful in this line.

Winter Sports at New Hampshire

HUGH FARNSWORTH, Θ A '30

The University of New Hampshire was again this year the winner of the Intercollegiate Winter Sports Union Championships of the United States and Canada, making the third time. A brief historical sketch from the beginnings of the sport here to the present time may be of interest to our chapters, especially those located at universities and colleges where there is little snow.

Winter sports began at the University of New Hampshire in the winter of 1914-15, with the building of a temporary ski jump and the making of a skating rink. The first varsity winter sports team met the Dartmouth team at Hanover in 1915. At this meet, New Hampshire won third place. Paulson, of New Hampshire took first from a total of twenty-one starters in the cross country ski race. At this time he startled thousands of spectators by turning a complete somersault as he left the take-off. He repeated this feat many times. His ski somersault which is now widespread can be said to have had its origin at the University.

The first Outing Club at New Hampshire was organized in 1917, but the war interrupted the activities of skiing, snowshoeing and skating with the result that the early beginnings of the Outing Club fell off. The Forestry Club of the Agricultural College was the prime mover in the instigation of the first Winter Carnival in Durham in 1922.

In 1923, another Carnival was held at which Gunnar Michelson, '26, who later became known throughout the country and made the University known, was the star performer. So keen was the interest by this time that the university administration was prevailed upon to aid the students in financing the building of a real ski jump, like the Nansen Jump at Berlin, New Hampshire. During this winter of 1922-1923, New Hampshire won third place in the Intercollegiate Championships at Lake Placid. Michelson won the Marshal Foch Trophy, offered for the first time. The score of this meet was: Dartmouth, 26; McGill, 17; New Hampshire, 10; Williams, Yale, Wisconsin, Harvard, Middlebury.

In 1924, New Hampshire was again in third place, yet, with keener competition each year, this was a definite gain. At this meet Michelson broke the Dartmouth hill record with a one hundred and twenty-three foot jump.

In 1925, at the Lake Placid College Week Competition, Williams won first place with thirty points, while New Hampshire came second with twenty points, in the President Harding Trophy Competition. Stewart Weston, '28, of New Hampshire, was the winner of the Marshall Foch Trophy. Enthusiasm was keen.

In 1926, the results of the Lake Placid meet were: New Hampshire and Wisconsin tied for first place, with Dartmouth, McGill, and Williams following. The same year the team won the Intercollegiate Winter Sports Championships of all American and Canadian Colleges, held at Hanover, at Dartmouth College.

In 1927, the team which went to Lake Placid won a clean-cut victory over its competitors from Canada and the Middle West. Pederson, '30, of New Hampshire won the Marshal Foch Trophy this year for the best exhibition in ski jumping. The three winners of this trophy for these three successive years: Michelson, Weston, and Pederson, were members of the University all at one time. Later in the same winter, New Hampshire won first place in its own Carnival meet, First place at the Intercollegiate Winter Sports Union meet at Dartmouth, a divisional meet, and the Intercollegiate meet in Montreal at McGill University making the University victorious a second time in the Intercollegiate Championships of the United States and Canada. A good balance was maintained in these activities, furthermore, the team scoring heavily in the seven of the eight different events in skiing, snowshoeing, and skating. As a result the University of New Hampshire has lost only one meet in the past two years, and in this defeat by only a one point margin.

This year New Hampshire tied for second place in the Lake Placid College Week Championships. For the third time the New Hampshire men won for their Alma Mater the intercollegiate winter sports championship of Canada and the United States.

The team won the President Harding winter sports trophy for the second time when it came up from second place in the last day of competition to defeat McGill by three points in the annual intercollegiate competition at Lake Placid at Christmas. Pederson won the Marshal Foch trophy cup with a standing ski jump of 158 feet. This is the third time that Pederson has won this honor and the fifth time that it has been won by a Wildcat.

Contrary to a popular notion that Durham is among the snowy hills of northern New Hampshire, and that we have terrific snow and ice storms, we are in reality in the southeastern corner of the state where the winters nowadays are becoming less and less severe than formerly. So little snow has there been in the past two years

that Carnival winter sports activities have had to be greatly curtailed. The success of the teams then seems the more remarkable to us since obviously there is little chance for practice. It is true that most of the personnel of the teams are made up of men who have had wide experience in this field before coming to the University, though this is not entirely the case. It cannot be said that our success will leave us because, as a state university, the majority of our athletes will continue to come from Berlin and other "north country" places where it would almost seem boys are put onto skis, skates, or snowshoes, almost as soon as they walk. Professor George Perley,



1928-1929 WINTER SPORTS TEAM

New Hampshire, '08, as coach, has been a vital factor in the teams' successes, as has been coach Paul Sweet, Illinois, '23, who is also coach of cross country, relay, and track.

Although we may say that winter sports are still in their infancy here, we mean by this statement the fact merely that this new order of sport is young in years. Certainly we cannot consider our winter sports team as an infantile organization. Surely we cannot consider our winter carnivals which have been consistently and tremendously successful as tiny undertakings. And obviously it is impossible for us to look upon our Outing Club—the organization that has had most to do with making these things possible, that has been the controlling factor in the forward progress of all winter activities—as anything but a prosperous and thorough-going unit.

The Outing Club was founded January 16, 1917. It gained very little headway at first, as the World War caused a temporary lull in all activities at Durham. For a time it seemed as though it would ex-

pire entirely; but it was nursed along gradually by the Forestry Club which more or less handled the intervening winter carnivals. The Outing Club did not become really prominent again until 1924, when it was revived. Since that time it has been an important organization on the campus, and throughout the last few years has increased greatly in popularity and strength. In the winter of 1927 it received a new impetus, when a popular election of officers at convocation was instituted. An entirely new and greatly extended program for the year was inaugurated. The new order of things included, principally, the winter carnival, which, aided by perfect weather was one of the most successful events of the year. Furthermore, provision was made for the building of a large toboggan chute—a thing that is indispensable to a carnival, as was shown by its tremendous popularity; and the first faint steps were begun in preparation for the propagation of a series of Outing Club cabins, to be extended in a chain to various points more or less distant from the campus.

The Outing Club then is now established as a definite, vital unit of Campus life—a unit, moreover, that does not consist merely in a small group of interested men and women, but a unit of the entire student body working under a centralized system. The cabin program is being rushed forward rapidly, and this spring will see the first of the series of cabins established, when a complete, commodious lodge will be constructed on Pawtuckaway Mountain.

Sherman E. Johnson, Editorial Prize Winner

Winners of the ten prizes offered by Pi Delta Epsilon for the best editorials published in any college newspaper during the academic year, 1927-28, were recently announced. The ten prize-winning editorials were selected from more than 200 contributions which were submitted from more than fifty colleges and universities. The prize winners represent nine different institutions, located in widely separated parts of the nation. The judges were all nationally prominent newspaper men.

The prizes were awarded in two groups, one open to all journals and staffs, and the other restricted to members of Pi Delta Epsilon. In the second group, fourth prize was won by Sherman E. Johnson, H A '29, Herald of Eta Alpha chapter, for his editorial, "The Girls Left Out", which follows.



"Women's fraternities having made their choices and bid the usual number of freshmen, it comes to mind that a number of girls are necessarily being left out. And far from being a new situation, it is as old as fraternities and sororities.

"But wise freshmen will realize that not all the achievements and opportunities for advancement are bound up in a Greek-letter pin. Secret societies are pleasant and often entail a great number of advantages, but not all of them.

"There are good people, and there are prominent people, and handsome people, and lovable people, who swear allegiance neither to Alpha, Beta, Gamma nor Delta. And, all popular opinions to the contrary, there are people who refuse, and consistently refuse, to affiliate in this manner."

Retiring Heralds

With the publication of this issue, the OMEGAN loses by graduation several Heralds who have rendered invaluable and distinguished service for the past two years.



LEWIS K. OESTERLING

The quality of the material published in the OMEGAN is largely dependent upon the industry and ability of the chapter Heralds. It is his duty to send to the Arch Editor all news concerning his chapter and school. This magazine has been exceedingly fortunate for the past few years in having the most qualified man in each chapter elected to this office. In many cases these men have held positions of high responsibility on their school publications and their attention to OMEGAN affairs has represented a real sacrifice.

Words of praise are hollow and meaningless, and not even interesting reading. We feel that many members of T. U. O. would however, like to know something about these men whose writings have entertained them. To this end we invite perusal of the sketches prepared by fellow chapter members.

Lewis K. Oesterling

HERALD OF DELTA ALPHA SINCE 1927

Lewis K. Oesterling, the Herald of Delta Alpha chapter for the past two years, was initiated into T. U. O. in November, 1926. As a freshman at the University of Illinois, he earned membership in Phi Eta Sigma, the national freshman honorary scholastic fraternity, for sustained high scholarship during his first year. During his sophomore and junior years he was one of the assistant managers of the Star Course, the official university organization for conducting entertainments by artists, lecturers, and professional organizations.

Electing to take the advanced course in the R. O. T. C., Oesterling was finally promoted during his last year to the rank of Major, and later received his commission as second lieutenant in the Or-

ganized Reserve Corps, Engineer Unit. He was also one of the charter members of Tau Nu Tau, a military engineering professional fraternity.

During his junior year, he was elected to the Student Council of one of the campus churches. This is the governing body of a student church which is run almost entirely for and by the 1300 Presbyterian students on the campus, about half this number being nominally active.

He is also a member of Phi Delta Gamma, professional forensic fraternity, and of the Adelpic Literary Society.

As a member of T. U. O., he has served on various house committees, in addition to his office of Herald, and during his senior year was chairman of the Homecoming and Convocation committees.

Arthur F. Warfel

HERALD OF EPSILON ALPHA AND EDITOR OF THE
Temple University News

None of Alger's heroes has a thing on Art Warfel, Epsilon Alpha's mite of a Herald, who left the southwestern section of Pennsylvania's anthracite coal fields to win scholastic and extra-curricular honors at Temple.

Art, who was born at Tower City, Pa., October 5, 1907, in the black diamond region of the world, has turned out to be one of the sparkling gems in the "acres of diamonds" tilled and planted at Dr. Russel H. Conwell's university.

Only a few inches over five feet, he is a veritable dynamo for activity, his campus interests including: editor-in-chief of *The Temple News*, a most creditable college publication; the Blue Key Honor Society; Political Science Club; Herald of Epsilon Alpha and editor of *The Epsilonian*.



ARTHUR F. WARFEL

Eight hours a night he is the transfer dispatcher for the Railway express Agency at the North Philadelphia station. He finds time,

also, to carry with high credit his senior subjects in journalism in the School of Commerce, where he will receive a degree in June. Furthermore, his "spare time" is spent in the company of a charming, bobbed-hair brunette, Miss Esther M. Rhodes, to whom his engagement was announced January 1, 1929. He eats and sleeps too!

Last December his article, "Feature Articles That Sell", a final examination paper was published by the *Writer's Digest*.

Chronologically, Art's progress is recorded thus: Graduated from Tower City High School, 1924. Served one year as the assistant history clerk in the Pennsylvania General Assembly. Enrolled at Temple in September, 1925. Employed during that winter, aside from his school work, by *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, daily newspaper, and the Atlantic Refining Company. He became affiliated with the American Railway Express and when it changed to the Railway Express Agency in February, he continued in his present capacity.

"Wiffles" or "Waffles", names his affectionate friends choose to call him, entered T. U. O. with the spring class of 1927. He was elected Inner Guard that year and Herald the following spring. He is one of Temple's and T. U. O's greatest boosters. His plans following graduation have not been announced.

Donald L. Brubaker

WELL TRAVELED HERALD OF ZETA ALPHA

Donald L. Brubaker is the son of a prominent Altoona physician, and has travelled extensively with his father. He has seen every state in the Union. Some years ago, he travelled around the coast of Alaska and up the numerous rivers in a motorboat party. For three months he saw no white faces with the exception of those in his party, living all of the time on mountain grouse and rabbits.



D. L. BRUBAKER

Last summer, "Don", who makes archaeology a hobby, travelled to Carbon Mountain, West Virginia, where he made extensive studies of what is thought to be one of the oldest civilizations in the world. One of the points of interest noted by him was the remains of a wall in the form of a ellipse, four miles long and two miles wide, having the ruins of two large towers in the center. This summer, Brubaker expects to travel to Colorado to pursue his hobby.

Though a reserved and quiet young man, Brubaker has won great popularity at Bucknell. His course of study has been pre-legal, and throughout the four years he has maintained an average of "B".

Among other campus activities, he has been active as a member of Pi Delta Omicron, national pre-legal fraternity, and the local Spanish Club. As a freshman, he made good at track.

Brubaker has been admitted to the University of Pennsylvania Law School and intends to continue his studies there in the fall.

Wilbur H. Baldinger

SCHOLAR, HUMORIST AND HERALD OF LAMBDA ALPHA

Wilbur H. Baldinger is another Herald who has served for two years, and he has done it well. He is a gifted writer. Many of his offerings which have landed in the feature section of the OMEGAN would have reposed in the more obscure corners of the news sections if written by a more prosaic writer.

Although Baldinger was directly responsible for over thirteen pages of feature material for the last two issues of the OMEGAN he was overcome by modesty when we tried to get material for a sketch of him. We happen to know a few, although a very few, things about him. Some two years ago, he conceived, founded and edited the *Westminstrel*, a humorous magazine. Its early demise was due to no fault of his—the paper was excellent—but to the fact that Westminster College is not large enough to support such a publication.

Last summer, Baldinger gained material for future literary endeavors by polishing brass on a steamer plying between Caribbean ports.



WILBUR H. BALDINGER

Zeta Alpha Wins Basketball Championship at Bucknell

During the past four years Lambda Chi Alpha has had a monopoly on the fraternity basketball championship at Bucknell. In fact, it had become a tradition that the Lambda Chis could not be beaten. However, this year Zeta Alpha chapter met them in the semi-finals for the fraternity trophy, and their string of yearly conquests was cut short in a sensational manner. In fact, the story as told in *The Bucknellian* rivals any of the thrillers we used to devour in our younger days. Says *The Bucknellian*, in part:

"An unknown and unheralded freshman brought about the downfall of the formidable champs by caging a long distance field goal in the final second of play. The Lambda Chis were leading by a 25-24 margin. Only ten seconds remained to be played when a center ball was called after Griffith's timely field goal had reduced the winners' lead to one point.

"The opposing centers were Bert Ellor and George Ebner. Both men had played well all evening and were very tired. Ebner got the jump, but his pass was intercepted by an enemy forward. Quick as lightning, Ebner was on the man with the ball.

"Another jump ball was called. This time Ebner recovered the ball in mid floor. He shot a pass to 'Doug' Fleming, who was urged to try for a field goal. 'Doug' was past the center of the court but had to act instantly. He looped the ball high into the air and as it left his hands the final whistle blew. One second later, the ball nestled itself within the confines of the T. U. O. basket for the field goal that won the game and brought to a close the Lambda Chi supremacy on the court.

"One cannot fully describe the scene that followed. Every one of the T. U. O. members rushed out on the floor and hugged each player on the winning team. Fleming was lauded not only by his fraternity brothers but also by the enthusiastic spectators."

The finals, however, still remained to be played before the cup could be won. At Bucknell this important matter is not left to the chances of one game. It is necessary for the two division champions to play for a tally of two out of three games. T. U. O. met S. A. E. in the finals, and T. U. O. won the first game, 23-20, in spite of the fact that Fleming and Captain De Filippo did not start the game because of injuries. The lure of the game proved irresistible to De Filippo, however, and he played despite an infected elbow which

kept him from attempting to make any goals. Of this game, *The Bucknellian* says:

"It was Griffith who in the last minute of play dropped in the field goal which assured the T. U. O. men a victory. Griffith traveling down floor in the direction of his basket at top speed, released a toss for the basket which was good for two points.

"The last minute of play was a bitterly fought one. The S. A. E.'s, with defeat staring them in the face, tried in vain to sink in long



INTRAMURAL CHAMPIONS

Left to right: Ramon de Filippo (Capt.), William Doty, George Ebner, Kenneth J. Beckerman, Douglas Fleming, Thomas J. Shutt, William Griffith.

ones. Ammerman and Jones missed heartbreakers, and when the shrill of the final whistle was heard, the T. U. O.'s were in possession of the ball.

"'Bill' Griffith was the big hero of the T. U. O. victory. The Nesquehoning youth captured the high scoring honors of the game with four field goals and a trio of fouls, totalling 11 points. Griffith's dribbling was excellent and his passes were accurate. He tossed in field goals in an amazing manner which furnished the crowd with several thrills."

The second game of the series was won by S. A. E., 18-16. This necessitated a third game, which T. U. O. won by the decisive score of 28-17. *The Forum*, Zeta Alpha chapter's news letter, describes the battle in the following words:

"Holding the scant margin of a 12-11 point lead at half time, the T. U. O. dribblers came back the second half and swept their heavy opponents off their feet. A barrage of field goals buried the S. A. E.'s, who scored only six points while T. U. O. registered sixteen, every member of the quintet contributing at least one field goal to the mounting score."

At the close of the season, Bucknell University's 1929 all-fraternity basketball team was chosen by "Mac" McEligot, sports editor of *The Bucknellian*.

As guard on the mythical first team, De Filippo of T. U. O. was chosen. *The Bucknellian* says about "Flip":

"De Filippo, of the Theta Upsilon Omega team, is Bucknell's leading fraternity basketball player. He is an excellent dribbler and passer and possesses an eagle eye for the basket. He can sink them in from all angles of the court. The fraternity team is built around the Elmira boy. It is largely due to his great work that it went through the present campaign with an unblemished record."

J. A. Hawes Writes Book on College Life

Presenting an intimate study of the social life of the great colleges and universities of this country and Canada, "Twenty Years Among the Twenty Year Olds," (Dutton), by James Anderson Hawes, is a book which should command the interest of every college man.

The author of this book first presents as his qualifications that he took preparatory schooling in a small New England school and then attended Yale, from which he graduated. He was elected the first General Fraternity Secretary of Delta Kappa Epsilon, and has held that position for twenty years. Travelling the length and breadth of the country he has come into contact with practically all phases of fraternity and college activities.

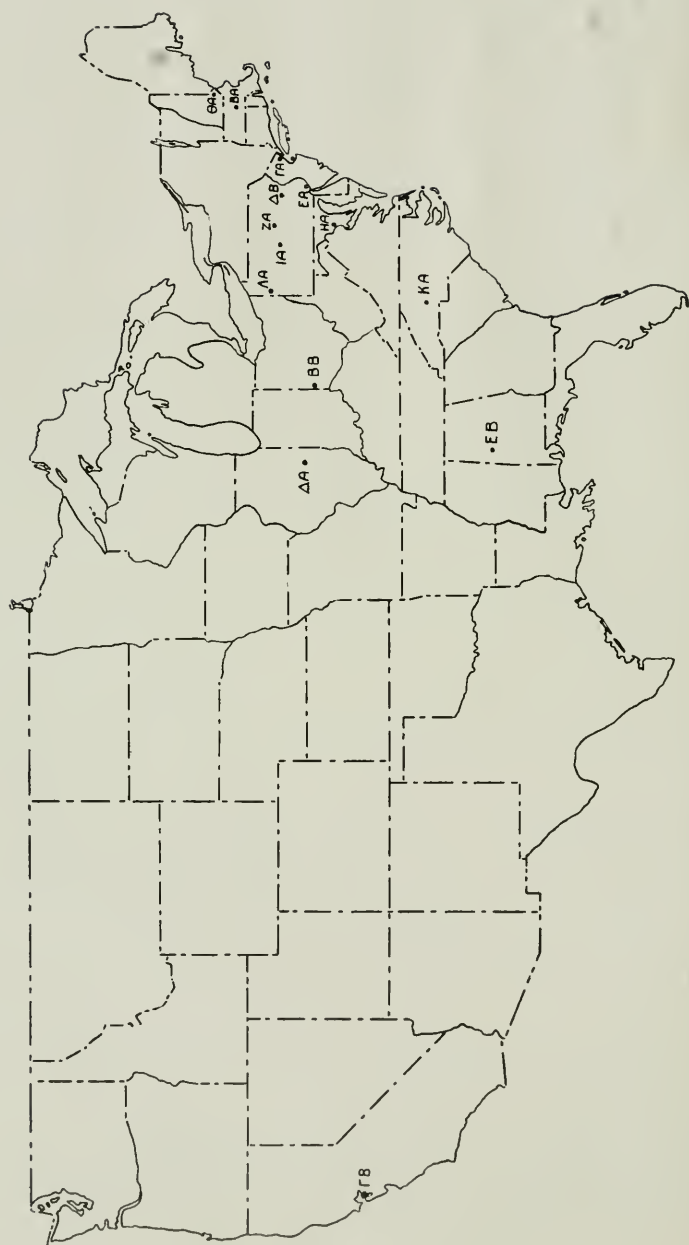
Centering his attention on the social aspects of college life, he traces the entire history of student activities in the colleges of the country. By "social aspects" is meant all phases of a student's activities outside of the classroom. This includes rooming and boarding facilities, fraternity affiliations, opportunities for social and cultural intercourse, as well as regulations and control exercised by various institutions on any or all of these matters.

Referring to the loss of power of conversation in our students' social life, Mr. Hawes says: "To sit around in any fraternity house,

dormitory or boarding-house room, and hear the conversation of the average student would horrify an educated Oxford student of the same age. Our American boys are not only unable to discuss politics, they are ignorant of the latest plays and of literature, have a very limited power of expression when describing what they saw or did when travelling abroad and cannot even frankly compare or discuss college affairs beyond athletics and one or two other topics. It is amusing to see the arrival of the Sunday newspaper. The boys sitting around the room in their dressing gowns rush for this huge pile of news, only to extract first the athletic sheet and devour every word, then discuss at great length the ability of a basketball player of some college or high school, and matters of similar importance to the world. They usually then read the so-called funny page and peruse the pictures in the illustrated section or latest automobile "ads" and are then through. Some of the more cultured spirits glance over the headings on the front page and make a casual remark about the progress of affairs in the world, or we may even find some one student secretly taking away the Literary Review for private reading later in his room. They are fine boys and real men, who would make good on a real job, but in intelligent conversation on general subjects of men's affairs they simply take no interest."

One chapter in the book is devoted to fraternities and clubs, although the fraternity situation is mentioned briefly in connection with each institution discussed in other chapters. Quoting again, "The true sentiment of youth, the Masonic and secret or ritualistic aspect of the Greek-letter fraternities as distinguished from a mere club, is an undoubted element of good during the years of character forming, when sentiment and unselfish devotion appeals if ever." Mr. Hawes regards the creation of friendships between men from different colleges as the strongest asset of a national fraternity. "All this helps to extend the broader national viewpoint of young men naturally provincial and prejudiced, by reason of the propaganda of each college to create and maintain an intense local interest for future purposes of raising endowments and securing workers for the particular college as against its rival."

Mr. Hawes is very outspoken on the "Great American Game" of moral uplift. He avers that the younger generation has an entirely new concept of moral questions and that there is nothing to do but accept conditions as they are,



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Editorials

ALA '18

Greetings to Epsilon Beta

Theta Upsilon Omega receives as a birthday present on its fifth anniversary a new chapter from the Old South. Word has just reached us that Eta Nu fraternity of the University of Alabama has received a favorable vote and will probably be installed about the time this reaches the readers.

We welcome most heartily the new brothers from the Sunny South. Eta Nu becomes Epsilon Beta, the fourth admitted chapter and the fourteenth chapter of the fraternity.

Eta Nu comes to us from an institution of wonderful historical background, an institution promulgating liberal thought, and an institution second to none as an ideal location for a fraternity chapter.

It is our earnest hope that the members of Epsilon Beta will speedily avail themselves of all the broadening influences which membership in a national fraternity stimulates.

Five Years

As this season rolls around each year, we reach for a pencil and tally another year in the history of the fraternity. This year with a steady hand we draw a long diagonal mark, for on May second the fraternity celebrated its fifth birthday as a national organization.

We shall attempt no lengthy retrospect, but we recommend that each member pause for a moment and ponder upon the answers to a few questions. Was the fraternity five years ago wisely founded? Have the affairs of the fraternity been wisely administered? Is the future insured?

Answering our own questions, we take up the first. Our founding was so unconventional that the fraternity world was shocked at the thought of a national fraternity of ten chapters suddenly springing into existence, and we were regarded as a novel experiment. However, other fraternities have now become accustomed to the idea and we believe we enjoy the wholesome respect of most of them. On our own score we believe that the assimilation of the ten charter chap-

ters into one organization was complete and transpired with an ease and grace surprising even to ourselves.

The administrative bodies of the fraternity have had a time of it to keep pace with the ever increasing needs of the organization. However, it is not difficult to name several major achievements of administration. Regulatory measures to insure the functioning of the national fraternity have been enacted. A full time paid Executive Secretary has been put into the field. A magazine founded upon obligatory life subscriptions is being published. The national fraternity has accumulated sufficient surplus funds to enable it at this time to take over the entire financing of the construction of a new chapter house for one of the member chapters. These things speak for themselves.

Is the future insured? We believe so. A wonderful spirit of loyalty to the principles of the national organization has been built up. There will be bound to be some discord and misunderstanding as in every organization, of course, but to date these have scarcely caused a ripple in the sea of harmony. The bonds of fraternal spirit are so strong that we can conceive of no issue likely to arise which might destroy them.

Rebuttal

Last November a president of a state university asked Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, B Θ II, the following question, "What constructive steps of an educational character have ever been taken by a college fraternity?" We have for some time been endeavoring to couch a reply in language sufficiently polite to be printable.

A "constructive step" is in operation at Gamma Alpha chapter at Stevens Institute of Technology. The active and the associate branches of that chapter are organizations of no great wealth. Nevertheless, arrangements have been made such that members who would be financially unable to continue their studies are able to borrow to the extent of several hundred dollars from the funds of the associate chapter. The loans are secured by notes.

It may be pointed out to us that it is no uncommon thing for students to work part time and earn all or part of their expenses. We are fully aware of this, and at Temple University much the same spirit prevails in this respect as at Dartmouth. It is a matter of pride to work part time, whether one's means require it or not. At

a technical school, however, this is not feasible. Laboratory and shop courses occupy so much of the time that at many such institutions major sports have had to be abandoned. Such being the case, scholarships or monetary loans present about the only solution for the student of limited resources. Gamma Alpha has taken a progressive step, and it is hoped that the administration of the project will be such as to insure its continuance.

Outstanding Achievements

High scholarship of a fraternity chapter is an indication that the members are attending to the prime business for which they are in school. There is nothing which compares with it for reflecting credit on the organization. Many shortcomings of a chapter will be overlooked by the faculty if its scholarship is top notch.

We take pride in calling attention to the outstanding records in scholarship made by two of our chapters last semester. Beta Alpha rated first out of seven competing fraternities at Worcester Institute of Technology. An equal or even greater achievement is the place which Gamma Beta reached at the University of California. It stood second among some sixty fraternities.

Mr. G. F. Fuller, an alumnus of Worcester Tech, has provided an added stimulus or high fraternity scholarship at that institution. He has generously offered a prize of \$250 to the fraternity having the highest standing for the two semesters of this school year.

CHAPTER NEWS

Beta Alpha

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

The most important event for Beta Alpha since mid-year's examinations was the announcement of the scholastic standing of the fraternities for the first term.

Theta Upsilon Omega	72.36%
Lambda Chi Alpha	71.26
Alpha Tau Omega	69.78
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	69.18
Phi Sigma Kappa	69.06
Theta Chi	68.32
Phi Gamma Delta	68.05

For some reason the standings of the freshmen initiated in February were included in these averages, making them higher than last year's. Beta Alpha, however, did not initiate any men, so our standing is lower than it might have been.

The twenty-fourth annual convocation of Delta Tau and the fifth of Beta Alpha of Theta Upsilon Omega was held on Washington's birthday, preceded by a dance on the evening of the twenty-first. About twenty associate members were present at the banquet and meeting. Quite a few smokes were passed out at this time, not to mention Arch Master McGinness' Pittsburgh stogies. Brother Merriam added to the scholarship fund started by Bob Jordan a few years ago.

In interfraternity athletics, Beta Alpha has placed near the top. Our bowling team, consisting of Carlson, Wade (Capt.), Marshall, and Bergquist, by winning six and tying one match, thus securing twenty-four out of a possible twenty-eight points, has made us sure of a trophy.

Brothers Hart and Lane performed so well in the squash tournament that they tied with Theta Chi's team for first place.

The swimming team, under Ray Hall's leadership, although it placed a goodly number of qualifiers, lost some firsts in close races and tied for fourth place with Phi Gamma Delta.

Our athletic activity is now directed toward the intramural track meet to be held the last of April and the baseball series that is played in May.

Turning to social activities since the last chapter letter was published in the OMEGAN, the Thanksgiving Banquet, held on the evening of the twenty-seventh of November, deserves first mention. The skill of our chef and the presence of a dozen associate members insured a successful affair. The next evening a snappy orchestra furnished music for an informal dance attended by thirty-five couples.

Worcester Tech's Interfraternity Dance was held December thirteenth. Besides the delegation from the house, Brother and Mrs. Jerome W. Howe of the faculty were among the patrons and patronesses. C. Russell Gill, '30, represented T. U. O. on the committee.

Just before the Christmas vacation, a lively crowd gathered for the annual Christmas banquet and tree. "Min" Rowe, '24, acted as Santa and handed out appropriate gifts.

To put new life into the group for the examinations, a dance was engineered on the twenty-fifth of January. Brother and Mrs. Robert C. Jordan acted as chaperons.

At present, plans are in preparation for Junior Prom Week with its house party, dances, and shows. E. W. Carlson, '30, as president of the junior class and Harold C. Hart, '30, chairman of the Prom Committee, are working to make that event a success. Russell Barnes, '30, stage manager of the Tech Show, will supervise its inner workings, while committees of one and up are busy for our own house party.

Gamma Alpha

Stevens Institute of Technology

The annual fall initiation was held the week of December tenth. Those handing in their pledge pins were Edward F. Cross and four freshmen, John A. Armstrong, Hans F. Nowa, Aubrey T. Pierson, and Hugh M. Ross, Jr.

The spring initiation saw the addition of six men to our ranks. They are George P. Rettig, '30, George L. Lingner, '31, Albert G. Dietrich, '30, George M. Brundage, '32, Wesley S. Cole, '32, and Henry J. Meinhold, '32.

Gamma Alpha is expecting an interesting spring socially. Things started with the Varsity Show on April 1. The custom in the spring is to "drag" to the games and end up with an informal party in the evenings. This occurs almost every Saturday and is more than pleasant.

Lately the seniors have been acting queerly. It seems that they are soon to become engineers and they are beginning to wonder what company they are to run. Just say "job" and if his ears go up, he is a senior. The interview season started with the beginning of the second term. Each of the representatives seems to offer the best openings. It's hard to decide.

Delta Alpha

University of Illinois

Delta Alpha chapter is at last situated in the new home, and the dreams of the last several years are finally realized. The chapter celebrated the event with a week-end which was certainly a "house-warming", although not referred to as such.

Friday night, April 12, the chapter gave an informal dance, the first social event of the year and long to be remembered as the first one in the new home. Because of our occupancy of temporary quarters the previous semester, all social functions were postponed until after the chapter had moved.

Saturday night, April 13, was the big evening. A cabaret dinner was served in the chapter house, followed by the spring formal dance. Favors for the fair guests were shoulder bouquets made up of T. U. O. roses.

The next day we held an informal open house for our guests of the dance. A formal dinner was served, followed by a tour of inspection of the entire house from top to bottom. About sixty guests, including some of the alumni, were entertained during the weekend.

The chapter is now making plans for Interscholastic Week-end, when the state finals in high school track and field events are held, and during which the chapter usually entertains several high school students from different parts of the state. The plan presents an excellent method of advertising the fraternity, as well as getting acquainted with future students of the university.

Other plans are being made for Mother's Day and the annual convocation, which should be the best one ever. It will be the fifth in T. U. O. and the tenth of Delta Alpha chapter.

Epsilon Alpha

Temple University

A gorgeous and colorful dinner dance brought to a close Epsilon Alpha's formal social season. Good "eats", a good time, and good music by Dave Northrop's Penn State orchestra were enjoyed at the Cedarbrook Country Club, Limekiln Pike and City Line, Philadelphia. Brother William H. Whitaker was toastmaster for the

fifth consecutive time. Thomas Zeno Minehart, led the committee, Brothers Wilcox, McGonigle, Zehner, and Herron assisting.

The entertainment committee had charge of the program for Mother's Day, which is now an annual observance of Epsilonians. The parents of all the brothers were extended an invitation to attend the exercises in a body at the Baptist Temple and also to visit the chapter home at 1915 North Park Avenue. With the exception of a few, all the parents attended and the day and occasion helped to effect a closer understanding between parents and sons.

In the semi-finals of the Temple Interfraternity Basketball Tournament Epsilon Alpha chapter was defeated by the physical education fraternity, Phi Epsilon Kappa by the narrow margin of five points, 23-18. Phi Epsilon Kappa in the finals won the championship by a victory over Kappa Phi Sigma with the score standing at 33-24. Brother "Reds" Buchanon is a member of Phi Epsilon Kappa.

Nine active members will become alumni following the June graduation exercises at Temple. Franklin S. Buckwalter, Reginald P. Ford, William N. Foulis, Jr., Adolph Friz, Clair F. Mateer, Thomas Z. Minehart, Howard D. Owens, William A. Schrag, and Arthur F. Warfel will receive their degrees.

The spring class of pledges consists of twelve members: William Dothard, Arthur Claffee, Frank Griffith, Ned C. Herrold, J. Fred Kiehl, James Neely, Thomas Marshall, Russell Mathias, David Watson, Robert Teel, Herman Werner, and Donald Whetsel.

A good will smoker was tendered the members of Delta Sigma Pi International Fraternity at the chapter home on April 11. The co-operation of Delta Sigma Pi and T. U. O., two of the leading and oldest fraternities of Temple's campus, foreshadows a rise in the status of social affairs, and clears up much mistaken rivalry and misunderstanding.

Only two defeats mar the bowling record of T. U. O. in the Temple Interfraternity Bowling League, Delta Sigma Pi inflicting both. Against these two defeats Epsilon can boast of eighteen victories.

Brother Harry "Hap" Mateer, '30, is easily the outstanding bowler of the league, having made the highest score for a single game, 239.

Whitewash match victories have been won by T. U. O. over Zeta Lambda Phi and Gamma Delta Tau. Epsilon Alpha's lead in the league is threatened by only one team, Sigma Omega Psi, whose standing in the league is 17 victories and 3 defeats.

Zeta Alpha**Bucknell University**

On March 14, Zeta Alpha won the annual fraternity song contest held by the university. Nineteen of our songsters, led by Melvin Shuttleworth, '28, sang the Alma Mater, "Long May We Love Thee", and "The White Rose". The beautiful silver loving cup was presented by President Emory W. Hunt of the university.

Interest in the contest was keen and the hall was filled with auditors. Charles Rivenburg, '29, played several organ selections during the intermission while the judges were making their decision.

To win two cups in one month may not seem to be much but it surely makes the Bucknell campus sit up and take notice of Zeta Alpha chapter.

Zeta Alpha chapter is "going" musical. Beside having a blue ribbon glee club with a very competent director in the person of Melvin C. Shuttleworth, '28, the chapter is well represented in the most popular dance orchestra on the campus. Gordon K. Adams, and John C. Pyle, both of '30, are noted for their torrid renditions.

Recently the chapter initiated into active membership Thomas J. Shutt, '29, Ramon de Filippo, '30, and Frank P. Jeckel, '32.

Eta Alpha**George Washington University**

Just before Christmas, on December 22, Eta Alpha chapter entertained with a dance. Another dance was held February 1, during the rushing season.

The chapter held its annual Founder's Day Banquet, commemorating the founding of Kappa Tau Omega, the old local, on February 16 at the National Press Club. Arch Master McGinness was present, as well as a large number of alumni. Sherman Johnson was in charge of arrangements.

Henry William ("Bucky") Herzog, master of Eta Alpha, was chairman of the Interfraternity Prom Committee. The Prom, the largest social event of the university year, was held March 22 at the Willard Hotel, that historic hostelry which has housed several Presidents and many Vice-Presidents. Brother Herzog led the Prom with Miss Emily Pilkinton. T. U. O. had a very favorable position for its box, and the large banner showed up well.

The Eta Alpha pledges this year are John Fulmer of Washington, D. C., William G. Shipman of Washington, Edward H. Taylor and Ernest H. Taylor of Morrisville, N. Y., and Lehman F. Woodside of Marion, Ill.

Eta Alpha won her first bowling championship in March after a thrilling match with Sigma Alpha Epsilon. The S. A. E.'s took the first game; T. U. O. tied the match up by winning the second game by one point, and won the third game easily. Clyde Reeves was captain, and the other members of the team were Floyd Pomeroy, Gilbert Downer, Alan Dryer, and John Fulmer.

Under the captainship of Jim Suter, Eta Alpha's baseball team has been working out a great deal lately, and stands a very good chance of capturing the interfraternity championship. In Pledge John Fulmer, T. U. O. has a good pitcher, and with the exception of a couple of outfield positions the lineup is completed. The first game was scheduled with Sigma Chi, April 14.

During the Easter holidays, five members of the chapter motored to Gettysburg, Pa. to visit the battlefields. They were Lawrence Nichols, Gilbert Downer, Alan Dryer, Carlton Thomas, and Sherman Johnson.

Theta Alpha

University of New Hampshire

On Thursday evening February 24 Arch Master McGinness visited us. He was the guest of the chapter at dinner and at a special chapter meeting immediately after, called for his benefit by Chapter Master Glidden. Following the meeting the pledgees joined the brothers in a smoker. The brothers were much impressed by Arch Master McGinness' inspiring address.

The annual alumni banquet in commemoration of the initiation of the local Sigma Beta Fraternity into Theta Upsilon Omega Fraternity as Theta Alpha Chapter, will be held early in May.

The formal house dance of T. U. O. in connection with the Winter Carnival was held on the evening of February 16 in the chapter house. Hal Hemp's "Detroitans" furnished the music. The chaperones were Professor A. W. Johnson (faculty advisor), and Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Bradford McIntire, Θ A '25, and Mrs. McIntire. The decorations in the living and music rooms were red and white paper streamers and red hearts for the valentine season. The dining room was decorated in white paper streamers and paper icicles.

Dr. Rudd, Professor of Philosophy in the university, has been our guest at dinner for a series of Tuesday evenings, after which he has led an informal discussion group for brothers who are interested, the subjects being those which are of vital interest to the university undergraduate. The subject of a recent meeting was the religion of a college man. Another topic was companionate marriage. The

freshmen are invited to dinner on Tuesday evenings and may, if they choose, take part in the discussions.

The first and second degrees have been given to seventeen freshmen and sophomores. The third degree will be given within a few weeks.

Iota Alpha

Pennsylvania State College

Many alumni members returned for the Junior Prom, held on May third. The annual dinner dance, in honor of Founder's Day, was held on May fourth.

Among the new pledges of Iota Alpha are Douglas Smith, '32, Sydney Martin, '32, and Daird Musser, '31.

New officers are: Master, R. P. Stevenson; Marshall, W. I. Zimmerman; Scribe, C. A. Schmidt; Chaplain, R. R. Henning; Herald, C. L. Chapman; Recorder, E. R. Noderer; Steward, L. C. Stoudour.

Kappa Alpha

Davidson College

On Friday evening April 12, the newly initiated members entertained members of their class with bridge games and a smoker. Several non-fraternity men and two men from each fraternity on the Hill were present at the affair. It has become an established custom with Kappa Alpha to turn over the house for one night to the freshmen to stage an entertainment at which all fraternities and the non-fraternity men shall be represented. This is looked upon with much favor by the other fraternities on the campus.

At the present writing the chapter is making plans for its annual fraternity banquet, to be held the second Saturday after the installation of the new officers. This year the banquet is to be held in Charlotte, at the Hotel Charlotte, Saturday evening May 11 at six o'clock. From all indications there will be a record crowd of our alumni back for this occasion.

Just as we are about to recuperate from the Spring holidays and dances, then come exams. That time is such a short time off that it is even pitiful. Looks as if there is always something to keep us from getting that good 'ole sleep!

Lambda Alpha

Westminster College

New officers of Lambda Alpha chapter for the year 1929-30 are as follows: Master, Glenn O'Donovan; Marshall, James Blackwood;

Herald, Douglas Anderson; Scribe, Kenneth Hemer; Chaplain, Conwell Dague; Recorder, Harold Glenn.

Gamma Beta

University of California

After opening for the spring semester, the first great news that came to Gamma Beta came directly from the university. The big thing or good news was that out of sixty-five fraternities on the campus at U. C., T. U. O. rated second place in scholarship. The boys certainly felt elated and are working for all they are worth to make first place in this semester's rating.

The pledges this semester have been as fine a group of fellows as Gamma Beta ever had. We pledged seven freshmen and one junior, a transfer from Bakersfield Junior College.

In the freshmen class we have Jerry Hyde, Captain of the Frosh tennis team, Arthur Werner, Henry de Jong, Sam Gill, the youngest of the four Gills, and a sweet looking football prospect, Ralph James, a football and track man, Don Dwyer and Wilford O'Connell. The junior is Stuart Fowler. The pledges have their own meetings and have elected a captain to run their affairs and handle all their troubles. They have worked together from the start and surely have that class spirit which will later mean so much to them.

Gamma Beta has had numerous social affairs this semester. Starting off came the Rush Dance on Saturday, Jan. 25th. Chuck Mulks, '31, was in charge and the dance was a huge success.

Next came a Freshman tea on Sunday, Feb. 24th. Freshmen brought their mothers and dads to the house and entertained them from 4:00 to 6:00 p. m. Everyone enjoyed showing mother and dad around the place.

The big social event of the season, which was in charge of Red Gill, '29, came on Saturday, March 9. With the house very appropriately decorated with Spring blossoms and flowers and with many colored lights, the members danced to the music of Chuck Dutton's orchestra. This was T. U. O.'s annual Spring Formal.

The Mother's Club held a card party on the evening of Saturday, March 23rd. Thirty-three tables were filled, and the good time and success of the evening were largely due to Mrs. Fred Miller.

On April 13th came the University Day dance. Chuck Mulks, '31, and Jerry Hyde, '32, were in charge. Pennants were used for decorations. This was informal and a big time was enjoyed by all present.

Delta Beta**Muhlenburg College**

Officers for the year 1929-30 at Delta Beta are: Master, Russell Dougherty, '30; Marshall, Guy Zimmerman, '30; Recorder, Stanley Reimer, '30; Scribe, Mervin Holler, '31; Chaplain, Frederick Meckley, '30; Herald, Donald Mock, '31; Outer Guard, Phares Dinger, '31; Inner Guard, Philip Baty, '32.

As this is being written, ground is being broken for Delta Beta's new chapter house at Muhlenberg. This means that a long hoped-for dream is to be a reality and that when the brothers return in the fall of 1929, a commodious dwelling will welcome them. It is but another step which emphasizes the growth and development which the group has experienced in recent years.

The new building is to be erected on Twenty-third Street, facing the dormitories, a location of particular advantage because of its proximity to the various college buildings. The structure, three and one-half stories in height, is to be finished in tapestry brick with white stone trim. A number of unique features have been embodied in the plans with the purpose of making the house an ideal one for fraternity use. The upper floor is to be devoted to dormitory space, dressing rooms, and lavatories with many modern conveniences. Study rooms will occupy the entire second floor. The main floor is so planned that will be available as a reception hall, chapter room, and ballroom, with an aggregate floor space of approximately one thousand square feet. The basement will be nicely furnished and provide space for the dining room. The plans also include a well-equipped kitchen and a game room.

This is the first time in several years that a house is being built at Muhlenberg expressly for fraternity purposes.

Saturday evening, March tenth, the members, fathers, and founders celebrated the anniversary of Delta Beta's first year in T. U. O. at a banquet in the Airplane Grill Room of the Hotel Americus.

There were seventy men gathered and everyone was drawn into the spirit of the event as the evening progressed. Festivities began with the serving of a splendidly planned dinner, following which speeches and entertainment were furnished by various brothers and guests, as the gentlemen enjoyed their smokes.

Albert H. Buhl, '29, our Chaplain, played the role of toastmaster in full capacity. The program was pleasingly varied with the introduction of various musical numbers. Dean George Ettinger was the first speaker. He was followed by Executive Secretary J. N. Danehower; Arch Editor M. E. Jansson; Chapter Advisor C. A.

Cassone; and Master C. A. Boyer. They all spoke of the solemnity of the occasion and expressed their faith in the future of Delta Beta. Musical numbers were rendered by brothers Boyer, Dougherty, Hoffman, Bernhard, H. Christman, Stoeckel, K. Christman, and Bortel.

At approximately nine-thirty o'clock, the program was concluded, and the brothers with their fathers departed seemingly well satisfied with the affair and expressing their hope of making this an annual event.

ALUMNI NOTES

Beta Alpha

Professor Jerome W. Howe, '09, was elected president of the Worcester Society of Civil Engineers at the annual meeting January 10. Brother Howe has been active in the affairs of the Society since its founding and has served as a member of the executive committee. Other recent activities of his include delivering the address at the Institute's chapel service in memory of Marshall Foch.

Robert E. Johnson, '27, and Sherman M. Hall, '27, motored from New York City to attend the Washington's Birthday convocation of the chapter.

Charles B. Handy, '26, who is working for the Springfield Water Works, dropped in at the house recently. Other visitors have been: C. F. Palmer, '15, "Jigger" Marston, '26, and "Swede" Johnson, '26.

Gamma Alpha

Three of the alumni have been living at the chapter house in Hoboken for a while. T. L. Hall, '26, has been living down at the house on and off, whenever possible, for most of the year. He is with the Public Service of New Jersey as an electrical engineer. F. N. Esher, '27, who is designing airships and who has done much of the mathematics in a new book on airship design, is now at the house. C. S. Shepherd, '28, who is with the American Bridge Company, lived at the house while he was working in the New York office.

Frederick Wierk, '23, and Alvin H. Johnson, '21, have entered into partnership as consulting engineers, with their office at 4711 Grand Central Terminal Building, New York, N. Y. Brother Wierk is also participating in the restaurant business in Jamaica, L. I., and just to prove that he does not take any of his responsibilities too seriously, he sailed April 26 on the new *Staatendam* for a three month's trip in Europe. He's a hard man to keep track of.

Epsilon Alpha

William H. Whitaker, for the fifth consecutive time, was toastmaster at the annual Spring Dinner Dance of Epsilon Alpha chapter. This year the affair was held at the Cedarbrook Country Club. Other associate members present were Weston Ely, George Huyett, Thomas McFarland, Vincent Pearce, and David Wilson.

Among the former Epsilonians who frequently return to the chapter home are: Paul Kaestner, J. Leroy Vosburg, Gordon Lawley, Donald C. Frazer, Harry Westenburger, Vincent Pearce, Raymond Burkley, Weston Ely, George Huyett, Howard Morgan and Fred Linck. Executive Secretary J. N. Danehower is also a frequent visitor at his chapter's home.

Zeta Alpha

Vincent P. McHail, '28, who is an instructor in the Mt. Carmel, Pa., high school, this year successfully coached the debating team of the Mount Carmel High School to victory. During his senior year at Bucknell, Brother McHail was editor of *The Bucknellian*.

Eta Alpha

The associate body of Eta Alpha chapter has elected Dr. Russell J. Jansen, a physician with offices in Washington, its president. William E. Reese, an attorney, has been elected secretary. Horace B. McCoy, Louis E. Seibold, and Frederick E. Youngman were elected members of the governing board. Brother Seibold is now working on an alumni publication which will appear in the near future.

William E. Reese is now working on his LL. M. at Georgetown University Law School.

Douglas W. Hartman, '25, is attending National University Law School.

Theta Alpha

Leon C. Glover, '23, and Warren Westgate, '28, are carrying on an important entomological research in the field of contact and insecticides.

Bradford McIntire, '25, presided at the meeting of the Durham branch of the New Hampshire Alumni Association, which met at the house recently.

Lloyd Brydon, '27, recently moved from East Orange, N. J., where he was located with the Westinghouse Company, to Detroit, Michigan, where he holds a position with the Detroit Edison Company.

C. Stuart Bradley, '28, and Mrs. Bradley, who before her marriage was Miss Bessie Fogg, '28, are living in New Haven, where Brother Bradley has a position with the United States Rubber Company.

Roland Chandler, '28, is teaching mechanical drawing and has recently been appointed Director of Physical Education and coach in the public schools of Farmington, Conn.

Iota Alpha

George F. Fisher, '27, is no longer with the extension department of Pennsylvania State College. He is now working for a finance company at Sunbury, Pa.

Walter E. Williams, '28, is now working for the Rassman Corporation, manufacturers of tile. His present address is New Brighton, Pa.

Raymond L. Patterson, '28, was back at State College for a few days to witness the Intercollegiates.

Kappa Alpha

Rev. Layton Frazer, '23, will continue another year in post-graduate study at the Biblical Seminary, New York, N. Y.

Anybody want to venture into the jungles of South America with Ted Moomaw next year? Ted is considering forsaking his position as Credit Manager and taking on something with a little more adventure to it.

Walter Mitchell, '30, is in the garage business with his father. They recently opened up a chain in Louisville, Ky., and are now opening several more in Atlanta, Ga.

Elmer Carrell, '31, has moved to 1006 Cherokee Road, Louisville, Ky.

J. T. Embry, '29, is with the Georgia Power Co., of Atlanta. It takes a good man to handle all the complaints that come into a concern like that—but Jim does it.

Marion Steele, '28, graduates from Georgia Tech in June.

Rev. A. C. Wildman, '24, will receive his Th. M. Degree from Louisville Presbyterian Seminary in May.

Prof. F. K. Fleagle has again been elected to serve as Dean of Summer School of Davidson.

J. W. Reed, '28, and G. S. Brooks, '28, were recent visitors to the campus.

Gamma Beta

Felton Turner, '28, is doing great things in aviation. "Felt" has been hanging on to the "joy stick" for almost a year now. He is now located at Kelly Field with the U. S. Army after having completed his primary air course at Marsh Field in California.

Bob Quigley, '28, "The Grand ol' Man of Gamma Beta" is at last a big business man. He is now working in the personnel department of the Graybar Electric Company in San Francisco.

Dave Sharpstone, '25, is never too far away to write to the fellows. His last letter came from the Roan Antelope Copper Mines, Ltd., Ndola, Northern Rhodesia, South Africa. Keep it up, Dave, we like to hear from you.

Jack Graves, '22, dropped in to see our new house while in Berkeley, during March. Jack is working for the City Engineering Department in Los Angeles.

Joe Mahony, '27, who is now working in New York City, comes out that he is "contemplating marriage soon." We don't know who the girl is, but wish both the best of luck.

Reg Jones, '27, has now gone into law for fair. He is the member of a new firm in Oakland, California, and reports business as being very good.

Fraternal and Collegiate

Muhlenberg College Expansion

EDWARD J. BOYLE, Δ B '29

In this age of maddening rushes for education, the significance of the dedication of a single unit to a small college is lost in a maze of similar work. But the alumni and students at Muhlenberg look forward proudly to the opening of its magnificent library.

After three long years of waiting—years full of regret and the smartest of jibes at college efficiency—dreams are to be fulfilled. Within the past decade, this college has undergone more than a million dollar expansion, comprising a well equipped science hall, a beautiful library and a new chapel.

The new library building, whose golden dome forms the central figure of the greater Muhlenberg development, is most attractive in a modified Gothic style, surmounted by an imposing tower. It is finished in marble and ornamental plaster work, including as its central figure a massive reproduction of the Muhlenberg seal.

On the first floor the reading room occupies the entire length of the building, being partially broken by a semi-reception hall. Immediately behind this room is an immense fireproof vault in which the books will be kept. Here on steel racks the 32,000 books now in the present library together with several private collections numbering about 3,000 volumes, will be placed. On each side of the vault are several smaller rooms which will provide offices for the president, the board of trustees, the library office and special classrooms and seminars. There are also rooms for special collections such as the 6000 volumes of the S. A. Bridges Stopp library. On the upper floor a room equal in size to the reading room is reserved for a museum.

The dedication of the library is to be held on the twenty-eighth of May as part of the commencement exercises for the class of 1929. At this time the building will be opened for the use of the students.

Personal Mention

Robert P. Stevenson, I A '30, has been elected managing editor of the *Penn State Collegian*, and Charles A. Schmidt, Jr. has been elected Junior news editor of the same paper.

Lenmon C. Stoudnour, I A '30, is serving his second term as a member of the Penn State Student Council.

Earl Jacobsen, F B '29, California varsity pitcher, has been doing unusually good work this season.

Much notice has been accorded in the papers to Jerry Hyde, F B '32, who has been playing number one man on the California freshman tennis team. He is captain of the squad.

Arnold Noyes, Θ A '29, ran one of the fastest races in the Manhattan Games at the New Hampshire State Regimental Armory recently. He is captain of track for 1929.

"Cristy" Pettee, Θ A '30, president-elect of Theta Alpha chapter, has been advertising manager of the 1929 *Granite*, was recently elected a member of the Student Council, and is out for the 440.

Austin Wooley, Θ A '31, placed in the high jump at the Boston Athletic Association Games.

Baseball at Worcester finds Robinson, Terry, and Taylor working for the team, while Russ Barnes is an assistant manager and John Tuthill a competitor for that position.

The good work of Carl Rylander, B A '31, during the basketball season secured his selection as one of the assistant managers for next year.

Russell Gill, B A '30, assistant manager Harry A. Sorensen, B A '30, and Oliver B. Merrill, B A '31, a golfer, are in the field working for the success of the golfteam.

The freshman baseball team at Davidson finds brothers Wilson, W. Milton and Scales of Kappa Alpha all trying out for positions. Milton is also out for track, having already made his numeral in football and basketball. Scales made his in football.

Jim Berry, K A '31, has been chosen Junior Manager of basketball, while H. D. Edgerton, '32, and Joe Ruff, '32, have been advanced to sophomore managers. Jim was also recently taken into the reporters club.

John Hayford, Θ A '29, was a member of the committee in charge

of the annual Casque and Casket (the interfraternity council) dance held the last of March.

Arnold Noyes' Θ A '29, and Donald Harriott Θ A '29, were on the committee for the Waiters' Ball held in the University Dining Hall late in March.

Two T. U. O. men were awarded varsity "S"s for basketball at Stevens. They are Captain Arthur H. Meinhold, '29, and Henry J. Meinhold, '32. They were also awarded gold basketballs in recognition of the team's ranking, second only to Fordham in the East. It is of interest that the only defeat of the season was by N. Y. U., which was the only team to beat Fordham.

Gamma Alpha has four men on the baseball squad. Two have letters, Captain Meinhold and C. R. Van Riper, both of '29. The other two are H. J. Meinhold and H. M. Ross of '32. They have excellent chances of getting their letters this year. In Lacrosse, H. W. Spitzhoff and C. R. Nichols are playing varsity this year. E. F. Cross is also on the squad. S. A. Reilly, who has a letter from last year, has been very sick this winter and unable to play. He is coach of the Junior Varsity, since his voice was not injured by his illness. In tennis, two men may play on the squad. They are R. C. Medl, '29, and L. Hoffman, '32.

Adolph Friz, E A '29, varsity track manager, is piloting a flashy team for the Cherry and White this season. Weaver Shearer is associate manager, and assisting them are Robert C. Fable and Karl Meyers.

Thomas Z. Minehart, E A '29, son of the Temple Dean of Pharmacy, is enrolled in the Temple Law School for September 1929.

Charles Pearce, E A '30, was again general chairman of the Student Council's annual Spring Dance Committee.

Charles D. Long, E A '30, President of the Blue Key Honor Fraternity and Director of the Men's Glee Club sang a beautiful and consoling bass solo at the funeral services of Dr. Laura H. Carnell, former dean and associate president of Temple University.

Royal Buchanan, Δ A '30, has been elected vice president of the Student Council of the McKinley Memorial Presbyterian Church. This church is almost entirely student governed, and is one of the largest on the campus, having over 1400 adherents. For the past year, Brother Buchanan has been a member of the Council, serving as Chairman of the Music Department. A songster of no mean ability, and a saxaphonist of parts, he has been ably qualified for the position he has held. We wish him success in his new office.

Delta Alpha Chapter was glad to welcome Walter A. Mitchell, K A '30, of Louisville, Ky. during the social functions in April. Brother Mitchell accompanied William A. Freeman, Δ A '27, from Louisville to Champaign for two parties.

Donald Hock, Δ B '32, has done the unusual by winning a regular berth on Muhlenberg's debating team. Incidentally, his team has come through with a clean slate in five starts.

Pledge Ralph Dinger has already proven his worth by capturing first place in the Ahepa Greek contest at Muhlenberg and at present is tied for the district championship. This prize carries a reward of \$100 with the chance at the national contest.

Donald Mock, Δ B '31, has been elected to serve as assistant editor-in-chief of the *Ciarla*, the Junior class year book for the coming year. Mervin Heller, '31, has been appointed as one of the associate editors of this same book.

To the teaching profession, Delta Beta is sending both Norman Dinger '29 and Earl Ritter '29, each of whom are considering several desirable positions at the present time.

Prominent Seniors

George Herriott of Kappa Alpha has made his D and star in wrestling, is a member of the "D" Club, a wearer of the "D", a member of the Spanish Club, a member of Scabbard and Blade, and a second lieutenant in the R. O. T. C. Unit.

Bob Kirkpatrick, K A '29, has served two years in the Glee Club, is a member of the Reporters Club, Delta Pi Kappa, International Relations Club, and was a member of the local musical fraternity. Bob will continue his studies for the ministry at Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, Va. next year.

Dan Leftwich, the other athlete of the Kappa Alpha graduates, made his numeral in football, basketball, and track his freshman year. Since then he has made his letter in football and letter and star in track. Dan broke the college record for the shot put his sophomore year and since then has broken his own record twice. He is a member of the "D" Club and a wearer of the "D". Dan expects to enter the Rayon mills next year.

Bill Phifer, the man who has led Kappa Alpha chapter through a hard but successful year, has served two years in the Glee Club, was President of the Delta Club, is a member of Scabbard and Blade, a first lieutenant in the band, an assistant in the history department, Junior manager of basketball, Pan-Hellenic representative, a member of the concert orchestra and a member of the local musical fraternity. Bill is planning to teach next year.

"Louie" Wadsworth, K A '29, has served as varsity manager of the basketball team, Alumni Editor of the *Davidsonian*, is a wearer of the Golden Quill, a wearer of the "D", a member of the "D" Club, contributing editor of the *Quips and Cranks*, and is a first lieutenant in the R. O. T. C.

When Davidson College selected a man from the student body to fill the vacancy in the Spanish Department left by Professor Blythe, who has been given a year's leave of absence to study in Europe, they could hardly have chosen a better and more capable man than William R. Weaver, K A '29.

During the four years that Bill has been taking Spanish he has averaged between ninety-seven and ninety-eight on that subject and this year averaged around that on all subjects,—which speaks for his ability to teach Spanish in this institution. At the present writing,

Bill has only reached the age of nineteen. Without a doubt he will be the youngest member of the faculty that Davidson has ever had.

"Bill" Weaver is a member of the International Relations Club, the Spanish Club, the Reporters Club, an assistant in the Spanish department and has made the honor roll for the past two years.

Clarence Boyer Δ B '29, (for some strange reason better known as "Haps") has done more to put T. U. O. on the map at Muhlenberg than any other single person. All of which is to say that Boyer is a pretty "big" man about Delta Beta and its outlying districts.

A member of the old Druids which were absorbed by T. U. O., "Haps" proved an invaluable asset in the change from localism to nationalism; and the fraternity in recognition of his services placed him in the mastership, from which he has recently retired.

Active in numerous campus clubs, Boyer has made a name for himself, especially through his Student Council activities being Secretary of that body during his junior year and president in his senior year at college. Through his regime, the Student Council has been a real power on our campus.

Born in Jersey and bred in the Wall Street canyon of New York, "Haps" is bound for a brilliant future.

Alvin Reinhart, Θ A '29, offense, captained the varsity hockey team at the University of New Hampshire which won seven games out of eleven, one of the four being a tie. Brother Reinhart was given a place in the 1929 All American hockey selection as made by College Humor and announced in the May issue. Captain Reinhart was placed at left wing on the third All American six. He has played with the varsity pucksters for the past three years, being elected captain for the last season. Reinhart has also played on the varsity baseball team for two seasons and is a promising candidate for the "hot corner" this spring.



CLARENCE BOYER, ΔB

Kenneth E. Glidden, Θ A '29, who is majoring in chemistry, has been awarded the Brown Company fellowship of \$1,000 a year for four years for the study of chemistry at Johns Hopkins University to commence October 1 of this year, according to a telegram which he received recently from an official of that company.

As a result of this award it is anticipated that Glidden's chances of receiving his Doctor of Philosophy degree in four years are very favorable. Glidden is prominent in several honorary societies on the New Hampshire campus, among them Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemistry, Delta Chi, honorary mathematics, Phi Lambda Phi, honorary physics, and Phi Kappa Phi, honorary scholastic.



JAMES SUTER, H A

This is the first time that this fellowship has been awarded to a New Hampshire student. Glidden gave a paper on ammonia oxidation after the regular business meeting of Alpha Chi Sigma, held at the T. U. O. House in February.

Honor came to Eta Alpha chapter recently when James M. Suter, one of its members, was elected captain of Track at George Washington University for the spring season of 1929. Brother Suter, whose specialty is discus and shot, won his letter both in 1927 and in 1928. Initiated into the chapter on June 5, 1927, he has been very active in chapter activities. He served as Herald for part of the year of '27-'28, was a substitute on the chapter basketball team for the past two years, was a member of the rushing committee, and is now captain of the chapter baseball team. He is a pre-medical student, and will probably enter medical school next fall.

Carlton Thomas, H A '29, has accepted a position in the personnel department of the Firestone Rubber Company at Akron, O. After serving for a time in Akron he may possibly be sent to some of the rubber colonies of the company, in South America, Liberia, or the Dutch East Indies. Thomas is a specialist in psychology and at the time he accepted the position was working for his A. M. He has also had considerable work in engineering, chemistry, and biology, and spent a year in medical school. He came to George Washington from the University of Utah, and his home is in Evanston, Wyo. He has served as steward and as recorder of Eta Alpha chapter. While in Washington, he worked his way through school as sergeant on the

United States Capitol Police, and on quitting the police force will go to Wyoming for a vacation before assuming his new duties.

'Al' Minka and athletics have for four years been closely associated at Muhlenberg. 'Al', a three-letter man, is graduating this spring and with his exit goes the most outstanding of Delta Beta's athletes. Muhlenberg, too, will miss Al, especially in football and basketball. Last football season, the year long to be remembered as the "Awful Off-Season," Al Minka was one of the few who gave encouraging performances on the gridiron. Again and again he covered himself with what little glory there was to be gained in such a season. Al, incidentally, is a lineman, and likes it, too.

In a brilliant basketball season, Minka more than made up for his lost gridiron laurels. His sturdy but lithe body coupled with a dogged determination to do his best placed him in the foreranks.

Fraternally, Minka, though very quiet and unassuming, makes a capital brother, one of whom, even were he not the athlete he is, Delta Beta could and would be mighty proud.

Al hails from Philadelphia and expects to enter the coaching field, for which he has shown remarkable tendencies. And Al does have a way of accomplishing things. It is with particular pride that Delta Beta looks at the achievements of Albert Buhl, who has been active in Y. M. C. A. work and the Deutscher Verein. He has accepted the position of assistant librarian in our new library for the coming year.

Walter Wolfe, who has so ably directed the finances of Delta Beta chapter, is to go with the General Electric Company. This will give Muhlenberg and our local chapter proud representation with that concern since Adam Manbeck has already been there for the past year.



ERNEST MINKA, Δ B

Campus Honors

At the Worcester April assembly, Skull, the senior honorary society, tapped six Juniors who will constitute the membership for next year. E. Waldemar Carlson, B A '30, was one of this group so honored. Election to Skull is the highest honor that can be given an undergraduate and is awarded on the basis of activities in behalf of Tech, and personality and leadership.



E. WALDEMAR CARLSON, B A

Brother Carlson has been active since he entered the Institute from Worcester North High School in the fall of 1926. At the end of his freshman year he chose the course leading to a B. S. in Chemistry. He is an officer in the Skeptical Chemists and because of his excellent scholarship and interest in his work has become a member of Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering scholastic fraternity, and an associate member of Sigma Xi, the honorary research fraternally.

During the last two years Wally has given his support to Tech's grid team. Playing football for the first time he earned his "W" as a tackle in the sophomore year, repeating the performance again this year.

In class activities Wally was a member of the victorious freshman rope pull team and played on the football team during his freshman and sophomore years. He has been auditor and is now president of the junior class.

Not only in college but also in fraternity affairs has Brother Carlson been seeing active service. He is the fastest man on the Beta Alpha relay team, captain of this years championship bowling team, pitcher on the diamond his freshman year and center fielder on last year's championship team.

Harold C. Hart, B A '30, was pledged to Tau Beta Pi at the April assembly.

Paul H. Caughey, I A '31, has been elected to Theta Alpha Phi, honorary dramatic society.

Edward R. Hawkins, I A '29, is graduating with highest honors in the school of Liberal Arts of Pennsylvania State College.

Earl Adams, Jewett Fowler, and Donald Ingham, all members of the class of '31 at Theta Alpha, have been elected to Delta Chi, honorary mathematics society.

Hugh Farnsworth, Θ A '30, has been elected to Book and Scroll, honorary English society.

Fred Pattee, Θ A '30, has been elected to Senior Skulls.

Dave Anderson, K A '30, has been honored with bids from the following: Gamma Sigma Epsilon, honorary chemical; Delta Pi Kappa, honorary journalistic; Sigma Upsilon, honorary literary, and the Biology Club. Robert Kirkpatrick, '29, and Robert W. McDermid, K A '30, have also received bids to Delta Pi Kappa, as has V. A. Milton, '30.

Mu Beta Psi, musical, at Davidson, has chosen Robert W. McDermid, K A '30, and William E. Phifer, K A '30. Brother McDermid has been elected manager of the Glee Club for next year.

W. E. Phifer, Jr. K A '30, and George Herriott, K A '29, have been made members of Scabbard and Blade.

Kenneth G. Merriam, B A '22, a member of the faculty of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, was among those selected for membership in Sigma Xi, honorary research fraternity. E. W. Carlson, B A '30, H. C. Hart, B A '30, and J. H. Wells, B A '30, were elected to associate membership.

Whereabouts Unknown

The work on the recent Directory issue of the OMEGAN brought out that the whereabouts of a number of members was unknown. Below is a list of members with their latest known addresses. Anyone able to give any information on their present location are requested to communicate with the Executive Secretary.

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Beta Alpha—Professor K. G. Merriam, '22, to Miss Alice E. Blandin.

Iota Alpha—Lemon Clair Stoudnour, '30, to Miss Thelma E. Stewart, a member of the class of '29 at Shippensburg State Teachers' College.

Benjamin F. Finefrock, Jr., '29, of Columbia, Pa., to Miss Kathryn Louise Miller, of Marietta, Pa.

Kappa Alpha—William Hiram Sharpe, '23, to Miss Rosa Helen Fazekas of Hammond, La. The wedding date has been set for June 7, 1929.

Gamma Beta—Ronald MacDonald, '26, to Miss Edna McRae.

MARRIAGES

Iota Alpha—Lloyd Russel Baker, '24, to Miss Dorothy Vanaslen, March 30, 1929, at New Berlin, Pa.

Kappa Alpha—Paul Franklin Causey, '26, to Miss Annabelle Shepard of Greensboro, N. C., November 12, 1928.

Wilson R. Kretschmar, '25, to Miss Mildred Ruth Randolph, of Bradenton, Fla., December 25, 1928.

Gamma Beta—Arthur S. Heironymus, '24, to Miss Ann Irene Hansen on March 30, 1929.

Floyd Moffit, '28, to Miss Elaine Welch of Visalia, Calif.

BIRTHS

Beta Alpha—To brother and Mrs. C. A. Perkins, '17, a son, Donald Arthur, on January 31, 1929.

To Brother and Mrs. W. D. Wilkinson, '18, a son, Robert Lockwood, on February 24, 1929.

To Brother and Mrs. P. M. Lowell, a son, Daniel Marcus, on March 27, 1929.

Iota Alpha—To Brother and Mrs. James A. Leamer, '28, a son, James Augustus, on April 8, 1929.

Gamma Beta—To Brother and Mrs. Otto Stiegler, '28, a daughter, Gayle Louise.

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